

# Honolulu Star-Bulletin

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Moderation is the silken string running through the pearl chain of all virtues.—Bishop Hall.

## THE REPUBLICAN PLATFORM

The platform presented to the Republican territorial convention this afternoon by the convention's platform committee is on the whole a progressive document. It has something to say, and that something is said in no uncertain terms.

The land and water plank is a compromise, and no man can say now whether legislation such as is suggested will work out to the fullest expectations of those who advocate the measures, but we believe a sincere effort has been made toward the conservation of public lands and water, even though that effort is inextricably mixed with territorial politics. Secretary Fisher's hearings have shown unmistakably that there is wide divergence of opinion among men devotedly working for the progress of home-steading in this territory, and the plank as adopted must still submit to the ordeal by fire of actual practice after suitable legislation. But it is a seeking toward the light, at any rate.

There is much of real progressiveness in this document. The needs of education, of territorial harbor and wharf improvements, of sanitation, of fisheries, are recognized. The direct primary is again advocated, and steps are taken to safeguard the purity and independence of the ballot, while suffrage for the women of the territory is a distinct advance along the line of country-wide political progress. Impartial supervision of public service corporations by a suitable commission is a measure as desirable for the corporations as for the people, and other emphasis is placed on cooperation and harmony between capital and labor. As to the liquor plank, the STAR-BULLETIN believes that further restrictions against the sale of adulterated intoxicants are necessary, which experience has certainly proved, but it is possible that the liquor license commissions may provide these under the present law.

As a document for the Republican party to go into the campaign with, the platform is an admirable one. It is essentially a platform that guarantees the kind of legislation that the average citizen, the home-owner and home-builder of this territory, can indorse, and by the adoption of this document, the Republican party takes a great step forward toward another victory this fall.

## REPUBLICAN TERRITORIAL PLATFORM AS SUBMITTED

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tenance of homestead roads, we favor the enactment of laws making it mandatory for the officers charged with the administration of the law to construct and maintain proper roads connecting such lands with other public highways, the cost thereof to be paid out of the proceeds of the sales of such lands. The diversion of funds arising from the disposal of such lands for other purposes should not be permitted, nor should any discretion whatsoever as to their use be given.

We further believe that, under proper regulations for security, provision should be made by which public funds may be loaned homesteaders prior to patent for the purpose of improving lands settled on.

For the purpose of further developing the resources of the Territory, we favor the enactment of laws by which the territorial government may impound and distribute for the purposes of irrigation the waters belonging to the Territory, we pledge our Delegate in Congress to work to secure Congressional legislation permitting the Legislature of the Territory of Hawaii to enact laws similar to the acts of Congress under which irrigation works to be used in the reclamation of arid lands are constructed by the government.

Realizing that the Legislature of the Territory is limited in power in dealing with land laws, we pledge our representatives in the Legislature to the adoption of a memorial to the Congress of the United States for the enactment of proper laws by which these results may be accomplished, and further pledge thereto the hearty support of our Delegate in Congress.

We believe that no corporation or individual should be permitted to lease from the Territory of Hawaii at any one time a greater amount of pastoral land than is sufficient to constitute a ranch or farm which may be operated at a reasonable profit. In this way men of moderate means may be encouraged to engage in industries for which such pastoral lands are adapted, and the control of vast areas of public lands, and the consequent monopoly of the products of such lands by one corporation or individual may be prevented.

### IMMIGRATION.

The continued prosperity of Hawaii, and the healthy growth of a

rapidly increasing list of industries render it imperative that the immigration of desirable laborers, either citizens or eligible to become citizens of the United States, be encouraged in every legitimate way, and that proper financial assistance be given by the Territory to aid such immigration. We therefore favor the continuance for the period of two years of the present law relative to assisting immigration, and further favor the enactment of laws which shall properly safeguard the expenditure of such funds, to the end that no part of the appropriation shall be needlessly squandered, either in the payment of unnecessarily high salaries or for the importation of immigrants undesirable from either moral or physical standpoints, or suffering from dangerous, infectious or contagious diseases; provided, that the law enacted under this plank shall not be carried out so long as the employers of labor through any of their agencies, continue to bring to Hawaii individuals as laborers who are, by reason of their physical or moral conditions, regarded undesirable citizens of Hawaii.

We favor the passage of quarantine laws by which the Territory may be amply protected against the introduction into the Territory, through immigrants from either foreign ports or ports of the United States, of dangerous, contagious or infectious diseases.

### WHARVES AND BUILDINGS.

We realize the paramount necessity for providing for adequate wharf and landing facilities and approaches thereto, to accommodate the rapidly increasing commerce of the Territory, and particularly in view of the approaching completion of the Panama Canal, we pledge our representatives in the coming Legislature to make sufficient appropriations for providing for such improvements as soon as practicable.

We further pledge our representatives in the coming Legislature to continue liberal appropriations for these purposes, and to the enactment of legislation in connection with such improvements which shall effectually prevent the granting of any special privileges whatsoever in the use of the wharves and landings to be constructed.

### GRANTS TO TRANSPORTATION COMPANIES.

While the development of means of

transportation constitutes an important factor in the development of the resources of the Territory, yet the granting of special rights or privileges relating to public lands to corporations or individuals engaged therein under the guise of encouragement is to be condemned. We therefore favor the enactment of laws which shall prevent the disposition of any part of the public lands or of any interest therein to such corporations unless full value is paid the Territory therefor, and then only after equal opportunity is afforded to citizens of the Territory for the acquisition of such lands.

Believing that the voters of the Territory of Hawaii should be permitted to express their choice for officers free from coercion or intimidation of any nature, and that such protection should cover not only elections but primary meetings and nominating conventions. We favor the enactment of laws by which severe penalties shall be imposed for the employment of coercion or intimidation of any nature whatsoever which may interfere in any degree with untrammelled action by an elector at any election, or at any primary or nominating convention preliminary to election.

We believe in the doctrine that full publicity should be given to all concerning contributions to political committees in charge of or connected with campaigns, and pledge our representatives in the Legislature to the enactment of laws by which this shall be done.

The Republican party renews its pledge for the enactment of the direct primary law. The contention that the people of Hawaii are adverse to such law is not in accord with the progressive policies of the Republican party. The voters throughout the Territory should be given the fullest opportunity of partaking in the nominations of the candidates for offices.

Believing that the continued disfranchisement of women is a relic of antiquity that belongs to other days, and that women never have maintained and never will maintain their moral, natural or legal rights save by the possession of political rights, we favor the enactment of laws granting equal suffrage to them.

As this is a subject upon which the Territory itself should be permitted to legislate, we favor the submission to

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## FIELD DAY FOR FORT SHAFTER

There is to be a field day at Fort Shafter tomorrow, in which practically all the men of the third battalion, Second Infantry, will take part. A good program on foot races, field events, gymnastics, and feats of skill and strength exclusively military has been arranged, and from 8 in the morning when the first race will be called, until noon, the doughboys will be combining business with pleasure.

Field days are quarterly events at army posts, according to regulations, but in spite of this, the soldiers always manage to get a lot of real fun out of them, inter-company rivalry being fanned to white heat when the time comes to pit one champion against another.

Officials selected to referee and judge the various field day sports are Major John H. Wholley, post commander, Lieutenant Homer H. Preston, and Lieutenant George Turner.

This evening Camp Francis W. Mansfield, Spanish-American War Veterans, will give a dance at the post hall, Fort Shafter.

Mr. Clayton, of the department headquarters clerical staff, is back at his desk, after a leave of absence on the Coast. Mr. Clayton left here a matchless but returned a benefactor.

## LOCAL AND GENERAL

A divorce was granted to Leong Yok Lin Ho Tin from Ho Tin this morning on grounds of extreme cruelty.

Circuit Judge Whitney this morning granted a divorce to Dan Vida, from Elizabeth, whom he accused of desertion.

Circuit Judge Whitney today appointed E. H. Wodehouse and Robert Wallace executors of the estate of Jane Browne Massey, under bond of \$1000.

In the court of land registration decrees were issued today confirming titles of Marie K. Humphreys to 56,000 square feet of land on Nuuanu avenue, being lot No. 5 of the Niolapa tract; and of Eloise Castle Marx to 8.58 acres in Nuuanu Valley, being lot No. 8 of the Nuuanu homestead lots.

## SUGAR

SAN FRANCISCO, Sept. 17.—Beets: 58 analysis, 12s 2d. Parity 4.58 cents. Previous quotation, 12s, 2 1/2d.

## FAIR BUSINESS BETWEEN BOARDS

With no stocks sold on the board, the only transaction there being a sale of Olua sixes at 97.50, there was a very fair line of business reported from between sessions. It led off with Ewa at an advance of 5 and 140 shares, to 31.50 for blocks of 5 and 140 shares. All other stocks sold unchanged, being: Pioneer, 10 at 33.75; Hawaiian Sugar, 135 and 15 at 42; Hawaiian Commercial, 5 at 43.50; Oahu, 20, 50 and 10 at 27.75; Olua, 15 at 7.25.

## SCHOOL DESKS IMPORTED.

Within a few weeks past the Hawaiian News Company has imported four carloads of the Peabody school desk, the kind that is installed in McKinley High School. Half of the importation was for schools on Kaula, the other half for those on this island. The Liliuokalani school at Kaimuki, now nearly completed and partly in use, has these desks. The consignments were delivered here from Indiana within four weeks from sending the order.

Bert Bowers, local chauffeur, alleged by the police as driving a machine believed to be the property of Homer Smith, a stock-buyer, and charged with fast and heedless driving, proposes to fight the case in court, Bowers having retained Attorney Leon Straus to conduct his interests in district court.

The Shafter infantrymen will start on their battalion practice hike Thursday morning. They will be in the field at 10 ten days.

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## LETTERS ON TIMELY TOPICS

### THE SECRETARYSHIP.

Editor Honolulu Star-Bulletin.  
Sir:—In your issue of the 16th inst., under the heading "Chillingworth After Job as Secretary" you say "Will Charles Chillingworth be named Secretary to Kubio providing the latter is elected? Chillingworth has nothing to say on the subject," etc.

I feel that in fairness to Prince Cupid and to myself that I should correct any such impression, for I am not and never will be UNDER ANY CIRCUMSTANCES an applicant for the position, for my business, which has taken seven years of hardship, worry and disappointments, is not to be set aside for any Government position.

The statement, "Chillingworth has nothing to say" is misleading, for no person, directly or indirectly, has ever broached the subject to me and, if asked, would certainly have answered emphatically NO.

As to the rest of the article, I have only this to say, That with the assurance of the Promotion Committee, of their united support and confidence in me, I shall continue to do all in my power to make the Floral Parade of 1913 an unqualified success.

Thanking in advance for the privilege accorded, I am, yours very truly,  
CHAS. F. CHILLINGWORTH.

### THE SALOON IN POLITICS.

Editor Honolulu Star-Bulletin.  
Sir: Do the delegates composing the convention know that if they select a liquor man to run on the Republican ticket for the position of supervisor they are only courting defeat to him, and the election of a gentleman from another party? The anti-saloon men and other good citizens have kept out of politics so far, but they will not go blindly to the polls on election day and vote for any liquor man for any office, irrespective of party.

If Mr. Bartlett is named by the Republicans for the position of supervisor, he will not be elected. An organized effort will at once be made against him, and the Democrats can count on the election of one man at least. Those interested in the sale of liquor as is Mr. Bartlett cannot and should not expect the good people of Honolulu who are favorable to the restriction in the sale of the article to sit blindly by and see him elected to so important a position. Such men are not the ones to govern our city and make laws for us, no matter what qualifications otherwise. There is no objection to the man who drinks, but the man directly in the business—the man who is interested only in the quantity he can put out, regardless to whom—cannot be elected even though nominated. So, gentlemen, do not court defeat by nominating such a man.

The Star-Bulletin is to be commended by all good people of the city for the stand it has taken on the liquor question, and, too, for declining to sell its columns for advertising the stuff to "family trade." Why not make it "good for babies"? It looks to the subscriber that an attempt is being made to get the support of the editors in getting a hold on our government.

### DECENCY.

## GOOD MOTION PICTURES CHANGE LIBERTY BILL

Two thoroughly interesting motion pictures were the features of last night's change of bill at the Liberty Theater, one of these, entitled "A Pueblo Legend," being the best Indian subject ever shown at this theater, while another very clear and interesting "war picture," purported to be a true incident during the famous battle of Antietam, contained some exciting and realistic "fighting." Of the new vaudeville act, the Howard Sisters, the less said the better, as their turn was not up to the usual Liberty Theater standard, and, excepting some rich wardrobes, the girls have nothing to commend them.

Mr. Mercereux and the Kelo Brothers continue to please with the same act they presented last week.

Hawaiian bred horses are to be purchased by the army. After the disapproval of a strong recommendation of the quartermasters department that remounts for island troops be bought in the Islands, the War Department has swung round, and has now authorized the securing of 70 cavalry chargers.

A purchasing and selection board, composed of Major B. Frank Chetnam, chief quartermaster of the department, Dr. L. E. Gase, the quartermaster veterinarian, and one Cavalry officer still to be appointed, will make the trip to Hawaii next week, and look over the stock on the Parker ranch.

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